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OPTICAL DISK, OPTICAL DISK RECORDING
AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS, METHOD
FOR RECORDING, REPRODUCING AND
DELETING DATA ON OPTICAL DISK,
AND INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement contained in item 1 on page 2 of the Office Action mailed on December 15, 2003, the Applicants hereby elect **Invention I**, which is drawn to an optical disc recording and reproducing apparatus and method, and which is embodied by claims 1-12, 14-27, 32-37 and 46-73.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected invention is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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